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ASH GROVE CEMENT WEST, INC.

Inter-Office Memorandum

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Subject PCB Disposal

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During the filing of the 1990 Generator Annual Dangerous Waste Report, it was discovered that the state of Washington considers materials with a PCB concentration level greater than 1 ppm to be a hazardous material. This is a significantly more stringent level than the Federal level of 50 ppm. Secondly, the state of Washington will not allow the storage of PCB containing materials on a plant site for more than 90 days after removing them from service.

Currently, there are 21 transformers stored at the terminal which contain PCBs at a level greater than 1 ppm but less than 50 ppm. These transformers were reported on the 1990 Generator Annual Dangerous Waste Report which was filed on February 27, 1991. A removal date for these transformers should be set for May 26, 1991. In addition, there are 26 oil filled switches at the terminal which may contain PCBs. These switches should be tested and any PCB contaminated switches should be disposed of during the transformer disposal.

General Electric and Westinghouse have quoted the disposal of the 21 transformers and 26 oil filled switches on a worst case basis. General Electric's total price for the work would be \$39,045. This price would be reduced to \$31,619 if all of the oil switches are found not to contain PCBs. Some oil spillage may have occurred in the west vault during the past year. As part of the quoted price, General Electric will clean the floor and perform a wipe test. Any additional work to this area will be at an extra charge.

Westinghouse quoted the same work scope at \$42,625 with an additional charge of \$1.00 per pound for weights in excess of

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22,500 pounds. Westinghouse does not address the oil spillage in the west vault.

I would recommend awarding the project to General Electric based on price and thoroughness of their quote. As soon as approval is received, oil filled switches will be sampled to determine their PCB concentration and the final price of the project. If the order for the disposal work is placed next week, the target date of May 26, 1991, should be met.

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